

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 491

By Herron

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Kelsey Johnson, 2007
Valedictorian of Martin Westview High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Kelsey Johnson is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2007 graduating class at Martin Westview High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Mr. Johnson has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Kelsey has earned an exemplary grade point average while participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including the National Beta Club and the Spanish Club; and

WHEREAS, highly esteemed as a leader among his peers, Kelsey Johnson has served as President of the National Honor Society, President of Business Professionals of America, President of Mu Alpha Theta, and Treasurer of S.A.L.T.; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to accolades, this exceptional young man has earned numerous honors and awards; he was selected to participate in the First State Bank Youth Leadership of Weakley County program, served as Co-CEO of Business Outlook International, is a member of Martin Westview High School's Academic Excellence Hall of Fame, is a Tennessee Scholar Graduate, and is a U.S. Army Reserve National Scholar/Athlete; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his status as a stellar scholar, Mr. Johnson is an avid sports enthusiast, and he has been a key member of his school's tennis team; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Johnson's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success at Lambuth University where he plans to major in Chemistry with a focus on Pre-Pharmacy; and

WHEREAS, Kelsey's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Jim and Gina Johnson, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Kelsey Johnson's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Kelsey Johnson, 2007 Martin Westview High School Valedictorian, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.